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By Gil C. Cabacungan Jr.

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Spratlys deals irked US



RP envoy also says DFA had no part in pact

THE UNITED STATES HAD been "pissed off" by the Philippines' deals with China, including the joint seismic study in the disputed Spratly Islands, former Senate President Franklin Drilon said yesterday.

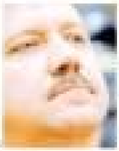
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JDV steps down as Lakas head

Ex-speaker rejects calls to stop attacks on GMA; it's win-win, says ally

By Michael Lim Ubac and Norman Bordadora

FORMER SPEAKER JOSE DE VENECIA JR. HAS finally agreed to step down as president of the ruling Lakas-Christian Muslim Democrats as part of a compromise formula hammered out during closed-door meeting of top Lakas-CMD leaders in Makati City yesterday, but rejected calls for him to stop his tirades against President Macapagal-Arroyo.

Cheap drugs must be safe, too, docs say

By Beverly T. Natividad

Become entrepreneurs, GMA exhorts women

By Christine O. Avendaño

Noli willing to listen to GMA foes

By Christine O. Avendaño

WHILE NO GROUP HAS SO FAR ASKED him to join them in their bid to remove President Macapagal-Arroyo, Vice President Noli de Castro said yesterday he was willing to listen to what they had to say to him should he be approached.

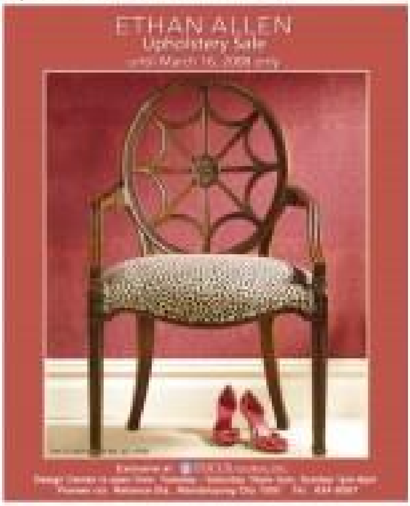
De Castro said no group had approached him on the possibility he would join them to go against President Arroyo, who is facing another political crisis brought about by allegations that she and her husband benefited from supposed kickbacks from the now scrapped $329 million National Broadband Network (NBN) deal with China's ZTE Corp.

"[illegible] I don't think they would do so, that they were that desperate," De Castro said.

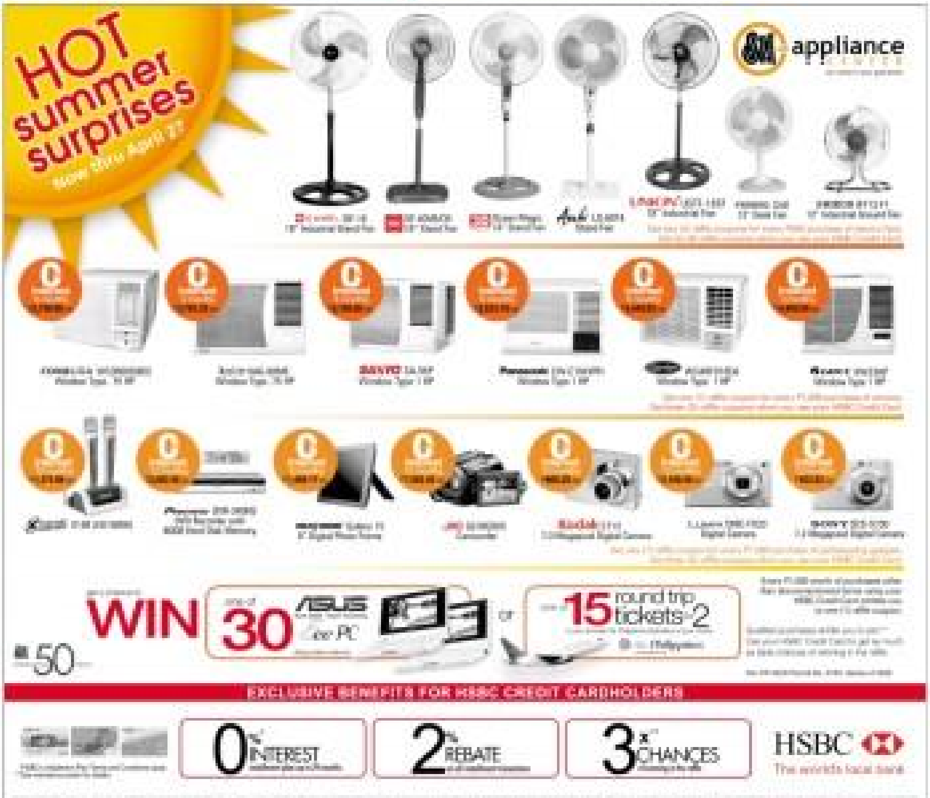
Asked whether he would reject any meeting with these people, he told reporters at the Palace he would listen to them. "No outright rejection," he said.

Asked whether he was approached by any group who was asking him to take over from President Arroyo, he said that there was no vacancy of the position. "So how could I take over?"

This group was also in no position to make him any offer, according to De Castro.







Villar defends Senate mandate to probe scams

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PUP president cancels

'Greedy Group' member ...

Cabinet member to testify

Mum's the word

Cable guy

DepEd, DSWD are No.1 in approval; PAGC lowest



RP inks $200-M biofuels dev't deal with US firm



Spratlys deals irked US, Drilon quotes RP envoy Domingo Siazon



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OPINION

A losing battle

EDITORIAL

THE ARROYO ADMINISTRATION PROUDLY TOUTS the relatively high economic growth during its watch as if it were its crowning achievement. It never misses any opportunity to remind everyone that the rate of economic growth has been accelerating since 2001, allowing it to outperform previous administrations, while glossing over the fact that, except for last year when the Philippines posted a remarkable 7.3 growth in gross domestic product, it still was not keeping pace with its dynamic neighbors. And always the key question is, who is benefiting from such growth? Why are the main streets in major cities teeming with hungry children and why are there sidewalks filled with homeless people?

The latest survey on poverty done by the National Statistical Coordination Board shows that the benefits of growth have not trickled down to the poorest of the poor. On the contrary, between 2003 and 2006, when the GDP grew by an average of 5.4 percent a year, 700,000 families joined the ranks of those who were officially classified as poor. Thus, the total number of poor families increased to 4.7 million in 2006 from 4 million in 2003. These are families that earn less than P6,274 a month, the amount a family of five needs in order to afford the most basic necessities, mainly food, shelter, health and education.

Thus by the government's own definition of poverty, the number of Filipinos who were poor grew by some 3.8 million over a period of three years, from 23.8 million in 2003 to 27.6 million in 2006. Which means that almost one out of every three Filipinos (32.9 percent) is considered poor by their own government.

And that is not the last of the grim statistics. According to the same survey, the number of families that did not earn enough to buy the minimum amount of food they needed rose to 1.9 million in 2006 from 1.7 million in 2003. That means that 12.2 million Filipinos, or 14.6 percent of the population, were not eating enough or "food-poor."

How did so many millions swell the ranks of the poor at a time when the economy was growing? Augusto Santos, acting director-general of the National Economic and Development Authority, said this was due to the higher prices of essential commodities and an "insufficient increase in personal income." The first, he said, was partly caused by the expanded coverage and the increased rate of the value-added tax, while the second could be partly attributed to agricultural losses from two devastating supertyphoons which struck the country in 2006.

What Santos failed to mention was that despite sustained economic growth, real family incomes actually fell during the period not only because of higher prices but because economic growth was not high enough to improve family incomes as the population continued to grow at a fast pace. And the worse news is that there is little reason to hope that the war against poverty can be won anytime soon.

The Asian Development Bank, for one, says the country would be hard put to sustain last year's record (for the last three decades, at least) 7.3-percent growth which, it said, was largely driven by huge election spending. In its report, titled "Philippines: Critical Development Constraints," the ADB identified three major factors that are bound to hamper economic growth. These are: (1) the government's "tight" fiscal situation; (2) declining investments in infrastructure; and (3) lack of investor confidence because of corruption and political instability.

And what would it take to correct these constraints? Good governance. Checking graft and corruption and other government reforms will improve tax collection, ensure the proper use of government resources and enhance investor confidence.

But given all the scandals erupting around it, it would be wishful thinking to expect major improvements in governance during the remainder of the term of President Macapagal-Arroyo. It seems that the poor will not just remain with us while she continues to govern, but they will continue to grow in number too.



Truth and institutions

PUBLIC LIVES



Randy David

WE MAY NOT ALWAYS BE SUCCESSFUL in finding enduring solutions for our problems as a nation, but at least our attempts to grapple with these issues enrich our political vocabulary. [illegible]

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GET REAL



Solita Collas-Monsod

MY COLUMN THREE WEEKS AGO ON TELLING the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth [illegible]

Admitting that poverty can rise

SOCIAL CLIMATE



Mahar Mangahas

Year	Hunger	Self-rated Poverty
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2006	[illegible]	[illegible]
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Changing the incentive structure in education

COMMENTARY

Joel Fuguangham

Disappointing the waiters

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Immortality

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Br. Albert L. Enaje, OP

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Valuable plea

A 22-year-old CBCP statement

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Fraternity ties vs party affiliations

Producer didn't agree to EJ's inclusion

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The rise and fall of the Russian …



Soviet collapse

From Africa to RP

Notoriety was his downfall

No extradition yet

Human time bomb

Five others freed

PNP: Private armies …

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Who else?

Extensive debate

National interest

INQUIRER Visayas

Antique honors 'Lola Masing,' comfort woman

By Jo Marlene Gimeno[illegible]
San Jose, Antique

SHE WAS BORN ON DEC. 8, THE Feast of the Immaculate Conception and died on April 6, a Good Friday. Through her 78 years, Tomasa Dioso Salinog or "Lola Masing" suffered in silence, carrying a cross brought upon her by a war she would rather forget but could not. Instead, way into her twilight years, she decided to unload her burden, tell her story and recover her dignity.

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Who is Lola Masing?

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Seeking justice

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Human dignity

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CONCERNED Japanese citizens visit Lola Masing in her Antique home to support her struggle during and after her death.

Across the NATION

NPAs raid another mining site

TAGUM CITY—NEW PEOPLE'S ARMY (NPA) rebels stormed another mining company in Compostela Valley, disarmed its guards and burned some mining equipment, police and military officials said yesterday.

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Steel firm gets pounding from creditors, case in court

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NEWSBRIEFS

■ DAVAO CITY

Firm recalls 130,000 bags of cement

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■ ILOILO CITY

Rebel dies from own grenade

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■ CEBU CITY

5 inmates flee from detention

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■ LUCENA CITY

1 dead, 3 hurt in Quezon fire

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GRAZE LAND

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Albay solon tells Villar: Show evidence

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News

3 al-Qaida suspects undergo grilling



By Alcuin Papa and Tarra Quismundo

THREE SUSPECTED FOREIGN MILITANTS arrested last month in connection with an alleged plot to bomb embassies in Metro Manila are in the custody of military intelligence officers and undergoing questioning, according to sources in the Philippine National Police.

Intelligence operatives who asked not to be named identified the militants, suspected to be members of the al-Qaida terrorist organization, as Khalil Hasan Al-Alih and two others known only by their aliases, Salman and Walid.

Salman, who sources said hailed from a Middle Eastern country, and Walid, an Indonesian, were arrested in Davao City between Feb. 13 and Feb. 20. Al-Alih, a Jordanian who was also using a Kuwaiti passport, was arrested last Feb. 11 at the Manila International Airport.

They are currently under the custody of the military's Intelligence and Security Group (ISG), according to PNP sources, held on suspicion that they belong to an al-Qaida sleeper cell planning to launch bombing attacks on US, British, Australian and Israeli embassies in Manila.

Sources also said Al-Alih was managing a travel and placement agency in the Makati area. Investigators are investigating the possibility that the agency is a front used to funnel funds to al-Qaida.

Business as usual

A source also noted that an associate of Al-Alih was arrested in 1996 in Germany on suspicion of being a terrorist. He was later released.

The US Embassy said yesterday it had been informed about the police operation but refused to comment on whether US security officers were involved in the investigation.

"We are aware of the reported arrests," said Embassy deputy press attaché Karen Schinnerer. She added that it would be business as usual at the US Embassy with regard to its consular services and other affairs when asked if changes in security arrangements were implemented because of the alleged bombing plot.

The Australian Embassy reportedly has tightened security in its Makati City office and said it continued to coordinate with Philippine authorities in the investigation of the alleged terror plot.

"We are aware of the recent arrests made by Philippine security agencies of suspected members of a regional terrorist cell and of reports of alleged plots on the Australian Embassy and against Philippine leaders in recent weeks," the Embassy said in a statement.

Without giving specifics, the Australian post said it was "upgrading security" in its Makati office.

The British Embassy for its part declined to discuss "sensitive security matters" but commented that the "security of our staff is taken very seriously."



Sandigan summons Imelda

By Jocelyn R. Uy

THE SANDIGANBAYAN yesterday summoned former First Lady Imelda Marcos to testify against business tycoon Lucio Tan at the scheduled hearing on Monday.

The antigraft court's Fifth Division issued the subpoena to Marcos upon the request of government prosecutors in its case against Tan, who had allegedly been a close business partner of the late strongman Ferdinand Marcos.

Acting on the request, the antigraft court also ordered the former first lady to bring with her original copies of deeds of sale of shares of stock of disputed firms.

Some of the documents being asked of Marcos pertained to Allied Holdings, Foremost Farms, Inc., Fortune Tobacco Corp., Himmel Industries, Inc., Grandspan Development Corp., Asia Brewery Inc.—all incorporated to Shareholdings Inc.

Metro

Editor Rosse G. Dipasupil

'He is not our kind'



GOLFER Abalos aiming for a perfect shot. Left, Copy of statement disowning ex-Comelec chair; and partial list of petitioners (right).

By Kristine L. Alave

MANDALUYONG RESIDENTS YESTERDAY EXPRESSED SHAME AND ALARM over perceptions that former Commission on Elections chair Benjamin Abalos Sr., who also once sat as mayor of the city, was involved in the controversial $329-mil-

‘He is not our kind’

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Mandaluyong residents renounce Abalos for alleged link to ZTE deal

Manila, Quezon City mark Women’s Day

By Allison W. Lopez and Jeannette I. Andrade

MetroBriefs

Rally dispersal probe

Still missing



UY CHI YONG

Suspected thief shot dead; victim injured

By Tina G. Santos

There go Sumilao farmers again

On Target



Ramon Tulfo

Twin blasts in Baghdad kill 68

WorldBriefs

Explosion hits New York's Times Square

Most notorious arms dealer arrested

Nicaragua breaks ties with Colombia

Possible Clinton-Obama ticket

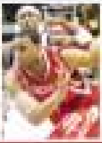
The WORLD

Palestinian shoots dead 8 Jewish teens

JERUSALEM—THE LIBRARY OF THE RABBINICAL seminary was crowded for a nighttime study session when the Palestinian gunman opened fire. Students scrambled to flee the attack, jumping out of windows. Holy books drenched in blood littered the floor.

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■ Rackets notch 17th straight /A26



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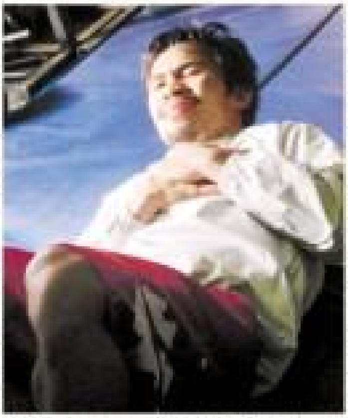


Crucial weight test up

Pacquiao confident of passing initial scales check

By Roy Luarca

HOLLYWOOD—MANNY Pacquiao gets a chance to validate his declaration that he has his weight in check when he undergoes an initial mandatory test at the scales on Saturday.



Pacman ready for Marquez, says Roach

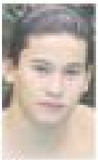
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ROACH



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UST captures 10th overall crown in row

Top UAAP athlete known in rites today

By Jasmine W. Payo



Welcoat ships Belasco to Coke

POC seeking fashion designer

Batang Pier eye solo lead vs Whoppers



SPORTSWATCH

Sin Memorial Golf Classic tees off Tuesday at W. Wack

Makati fastest-win event on

SJC 4-cocker gets going



TIPS FROM A LEGEND

SHELL SUPER SERIES

Top karters return to action in Carmona

Manila World 10-Ball tilt starts rolling

Big NCA derby kicks off Tuesday

La'O-Carlos ahead by 5



By Marcey R. Castillo

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SPORTS



Rockets notch 17th straight; Bulls triumph

Packer hero Favre bids NFL emotional farewell



FAVRE

Business

Editor Raul O. Marcelo • Assistant Editor Corvie S. Martinez

Forex reserves hit all-time high of $36.1B

Gov't bond issue, OFW money boost end-February level

THE BANGKO SENTRAL NG PILIPINAS HAS BUILT up its foreign reserves to a new high of $36.1 billion as of end-February, up by $1.3 billion from January, due to strong foreign inflows—including proceeds from the government's latest global bond float.

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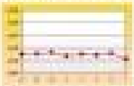


PESO-DOLLAR RATE

Stock Market

Stocks close 2.8% lower

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LandBank eyes low rates for cooperatives

LANDBANK / B2

Aboitiz Power gains full ownership of Balamban

By Abigail L. Ho

AEV profit up 54% in 2007

MPIC readies debt-equity swap with creditor

Picop may shut paper mill sans DENR permit

By Daxim L. Lucas

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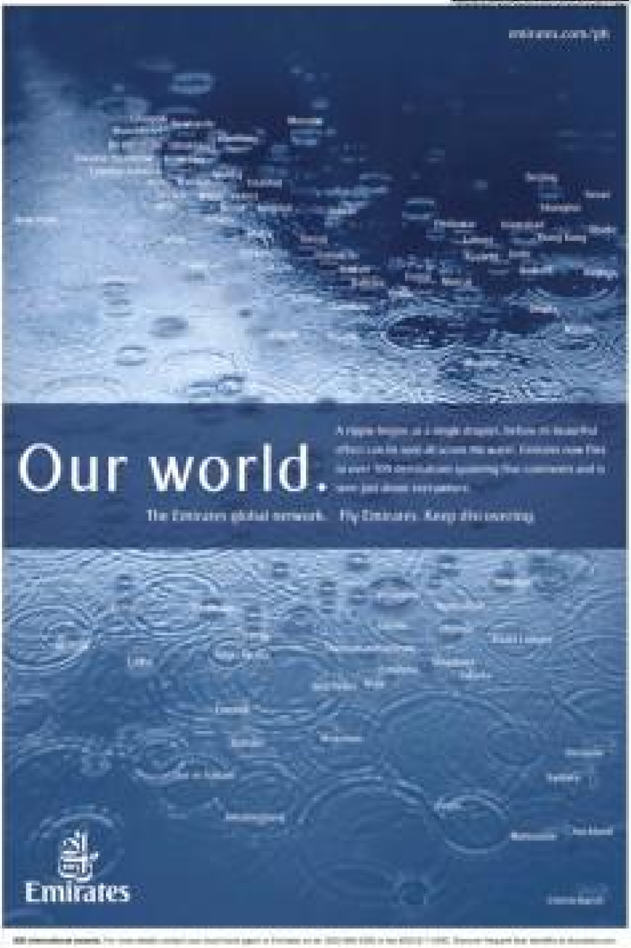
Stocks ...

SM condo sales surged in 2007

Morph Labs plans IPO

LandBank eyes...

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DOF sees marked improvement in fiscal figures

Finance official cites growth in BIR, BOC collections

Money supply growth slowest in 3 years



TETANGCO

Rice imports expected to hit 1.8M MT in 2008

Domestic vehicle sales up 14.3% in first 2 months

Inflation may hit high end of gov't target due to rising food prices

SCIENCE/HEALTH

Beware of stroke

Suffocating the brain

Recognize warning signs

Reduce your risk

Risk factors you can control

Risk factors needing lifestyle change

Risk factors you cannot change

How to prevent stroke

Diagnosing, treating stroke

Stroke can be treated

Cutting-edge technology in cancer treatment being installed at St. Cabrini Medical Center

First in RP

Local treatment

Unique feature



IMAGE-GUIDED Radiation Therapy (IGRT)

Chromium may help fight diabetes



Control of blood sugar

Essential

Certified

Stroke prevention: grand and mysterious

MEDICAL FILES

Grand and mysterious

A lesson from Prague

Cardiological risk assessment

Ateneo Grade School Math Olympiad

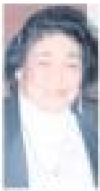
EUREKA!



Queena N. Lee-Chua

Int'l Math Olympiad

RFA helps liver cancer patients get new lease on life



NORMA Flores



NILO Ramirez

CAREPLUS



Effective treatment option

Living life to the fullest

PROPERTY

How to buy real estate (almost) worry-free



LAST WEEK THIS WRITER enumerated tips for people who are buying a unit or house to live in and who may not have ready access to professional legal assistance. This is intended to arm ordinary buyers with sufficient knowledge that will prevent, if not lessen, headaches or heartaches when making a purchase.

Here are other tips:

• Get a copy of documents to be signed and study them.

The basic documents include a reservation agreement (although this is not always required), contract to sell and deed of absolute sale. For a condominium, a master deed with declaration of restrictions is indispensable. These documents generally provide the terms and conditions

HOW B2



Unit owners can compute their condo dues



By Tessa R. Salazar

IF YOU WANT TO FIGURE out how your condominium developer/corporation comes up with its association dues, see first how the builder operates it.

Chart of Accounts

'Locational' qualities

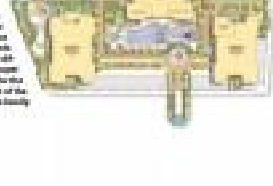
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What is gyps

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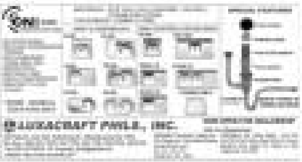
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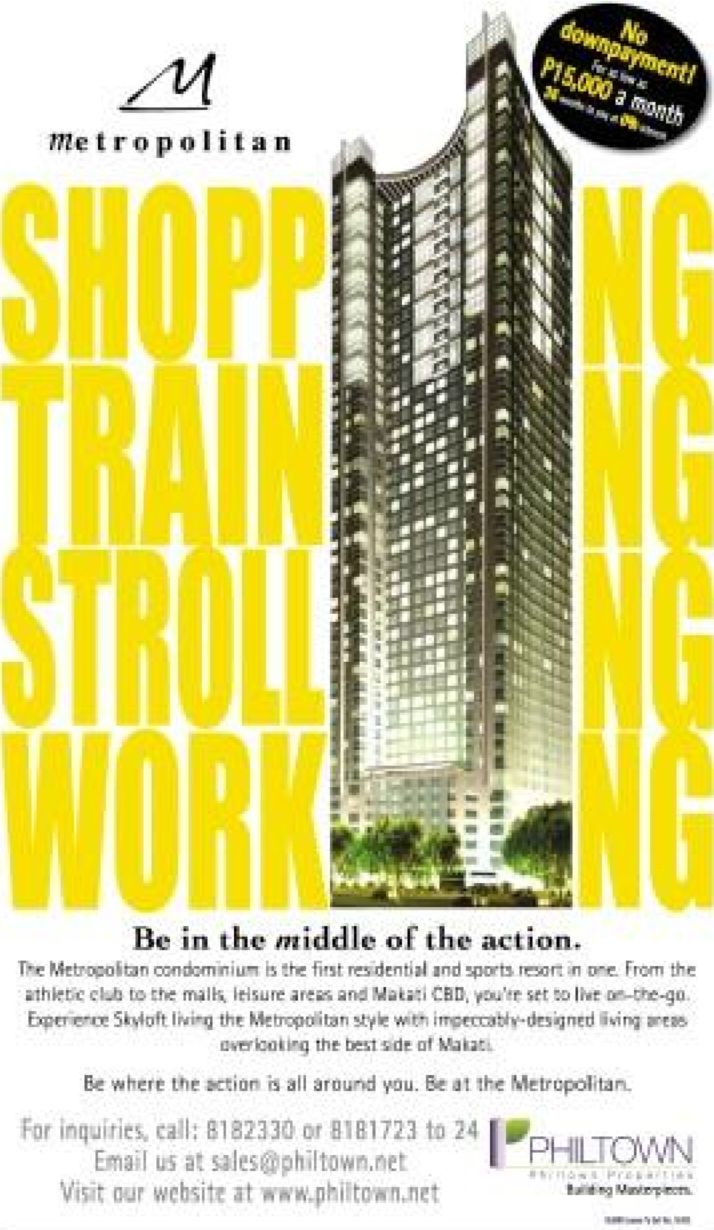
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DREAMGIRLS

By: Tina Baron

The Metropolitan, a haven for parties and glamorous events, was once again abuzz last Feb. 27, 2008 as Power singers Isay Alvarez, Bituin Escalante and Mae Bayot did a beautiful rendition of the Dream Girls medley, which had the audience glued to their chairs and under the spell of these powerfully enchanting ladies.

Singing to the tunes made famous by the film with the same title, Isay Alvarez, Bituin Escalante, and May Bayot performed like they were on a stage in Broadway proving them worthy of all the praise that has already been given to them. Their gorgeous gowns and fabulous hair dos only added icing to the cake which was a night all to good to be true artistry.

Despite the rains that came in before, during and after the show, the three Fabulous divas did not fail in staging a truly exceptional performance sending the ultra-chic Philtown crowd on their feet to give the fantastic singers a standing ovation for their powerhouse performance.

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The afterlife of Vanessa Chong

IT IS AMAZING WHAT a round-the-world, high-intensity race can do for someone. Reality shows bring out people's true colors, and sometimes we wonder why strange specimens of humanity are given more than their 15 minutes. Case in point: Vanessa Chong. One day she was managing her freshie in KL and a few months later emerged as the first runner-up in a heart-pumping season of the Amazing Race Asia. Life has been ravishing for Vanessa since finishing the race. "After the race finished, going back to normal life seemed boring. It was like being in love during the race. We still had to keep it a secret for a while," says Vanessa.

Tall tales

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The amazing journey

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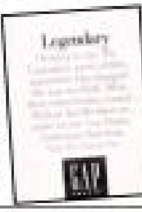
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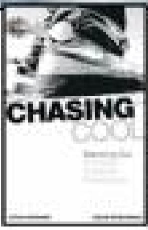






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Leaping to track stardom



Record-wrecker

Stadium love

High hurdles

Road running

Fields of gold



Leaping to track stardom

THUNDER ROAD
James Gabrillo

Fieldwork with college sports' most promising athlete

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The Machine

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Raiders of the Lost Anatolia

Who needs Richard Branson's Virgin Galactic when you can fly to the Middle-earthy moonscape of Cappadocia at a fraction of the cost?

LOST IN TRANSIT
Paolo R. Reyes



WATCH YOUR HEADING. Cave dwellings in miniature.

"Here men from the planet Earth first set foot upon the Moon. July 1969 AD. We came in peace." —Neil Armstrong

IT WAS A SCENE STRAIGHT out of "Star Wars," or the sweeping pages of a Tolkien novel—whichever manages to kindle your imagination. But for a minute or so, as the bus wearily navigated through the icy, lunar plains of Cappadocia, my tourist-friendly window suddenly became a moving canvas, deftly framing the surreal, Salvador Dalí-like tableau in front of me.

It was hard to put a finger on this place—deep in the dusty historical heartland of central Turkey—which has lured everyone from Alexander the Great to archeology-minded backpackers [illegible]

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Raiders of the Lost Anatolia



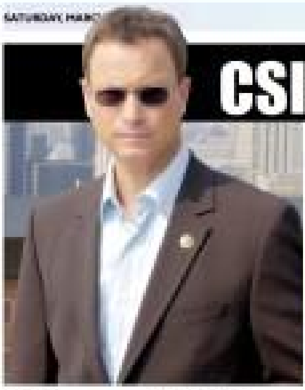








CSI: Crime Scene Idols







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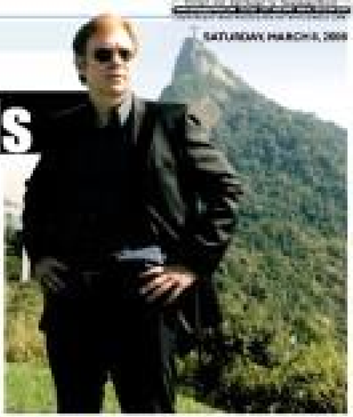
By Katrina A. Holgano

IF YOU HAVEN'T HEARD OF CSI THEN IT'S TIME to crawl out from under that rock you've been living in! The top rating show has turned science geeks into gods and now everybody wants to uncover the truth behind a dead body.

Investigating the Crime Scene Investigators, I discovered that all three versions are shot in LA (although some are supposed to based in LA in fact). Ah, the wonder of generic looking streetlines and skylines that can make most of the scenes look as authentic as possible. Of course, a crew is sent out every so often to shoot the actual landscape shots you see per franchise and then inserted for authenticity.

But let's not reveal too much of what goes on behind the scenes. Instead, let's get into the minds of the two leads of CSI Miami and CSI New York. Here's a snippet of our interview with David Caruso and Gary Sinise.

With all the attention being tuned into CSI's main man Gil Grissom (William Petersen) looking desperately for his lady love, Sarah (Jorja Fox) we turn our attention to the CSI Miami and New York's leading men.



So, who makes your suits?

DAVID CARUSO: Oh, they vary but sometimes they're Prada, sometimes other various people, but we do a lot of Prada, and Calvin Klein have seemed to stick with us.

And how many pairs of shades do you have?

DC: I think they made 150 of them. (laughs) Because I kind of bend them, and go through them. Sometimes I throw them, sometimes they get damaged so we need a lot of them. But the great irony was that as soon as we started using them, they're silhouette sunglasses, they discontinued them. I don't know why but so, we were fortunate enough to get them to make 150 pairs. And I combined them with a Helmut Newton suit for the wardrobe fitting, and suddenly the character was standing there. So, silhouette sunglasses.

So, you can really compose a character using the glasses? I mean, it's important?

DC: Well, you know, kind of in the old days, and now that I've turned 30 recently (laughs), that was a big part of creating a character, that the character would have all these various attributes. They would look a certain way, sound a certain way and so on. That was the fun of it, and that's kind of how I learned. It's about, when I was a kid growing up watching movies and so on, I can always tell that the character had worked for me if I came out and I wanted to dress like him, you know, or behave like him. And so, that was a very important component in creating the character.

Which movie character did you like?

DC: Well, I remember coming out of the Steve McQueen movie Bullitt. And they had all that great kind of '60s suede and all that. I wanted to be him after that movie, 'cause he was so cool in the movie.

Okay. We have three shows with three strong characters, Horatio, Grissom and Mac. How do you compare the characters, your character to the others?

DC: Well, I'm the one with the red hair. (laughs)

And the glasses.

DC: Yes! And the glasses. And I dare them to have red hair. I think they're all reflective of the cities. I think they kind of capture the cities. They provide a "signature" for their respective cities.

If you weren't an actor, would you like to be a cool, a CSI investigator or a policeman or whatever?

DC: You know what? When I was a young kid, I wrote a letter to J. Edgar Hoover, and he wrote me back!

At that time I was more interested in the world of intelligence and possibly the CIA and stuff. And I remember after I did he [illegible] Sure And A Gentleman in 1981, I was at Disneyland, and the first person recognized me. And, and my heart sank 'cause I realized I could never be a spy. (laughs) Because it was gone, my cover was gone.

What was in the letter?

DC: It was, how do I become an FBI agent? My letter to him, and he was saying, you must have a college degree. You must be clean cut. You must be able, you know, you need to start doing a certain way now. And foolishly, I threw the letter away so, there was always kind of an interest in this kind of format. So, here I am.

CSI/D5



24/7 Super Radar

By Janine Cuenca-Ebola and Scott Juan



YES, WORD HAS GOTTEN OUT THAT the Philippines has one of the best audiences in the world, and international music artists are now lining up to bring their goods to our shores. Care to prove this week is going chock full of concerts, can you say, "Excellent?" How about, "Harry Connick Jr.?"







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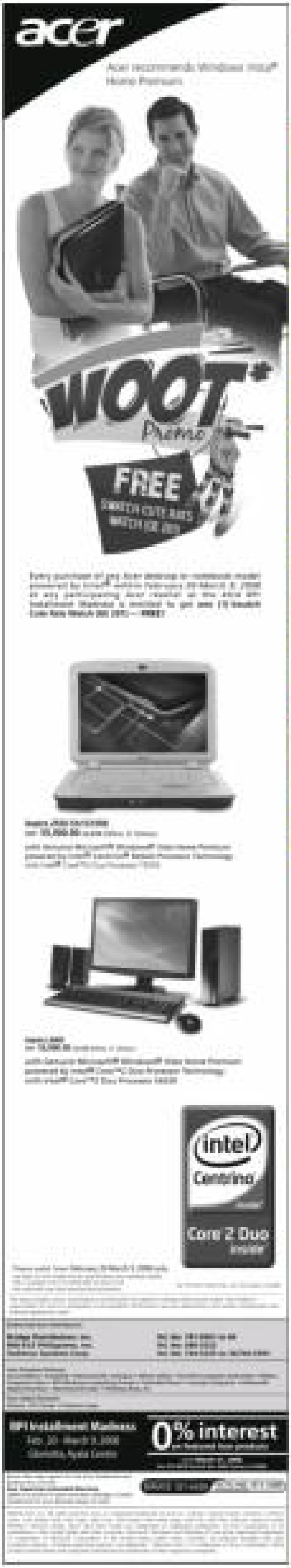
The annual Kiss Goodbye to Breast Cancer events raise funds and awareness to help women win the fight against the disease.

HELLO TOMORROW SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Say hello to a brighter tomorrow! Avon joins the celebration of International Women's Day through the Hello Tomorrow Scholarship Fund, an educational grant to 30 deserving junior college girls from families of Avon Franchise Dealers.



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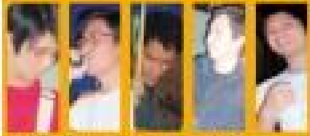


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Let it B

Bianca's Boys

Free Recording Sessions



SUPER RANDOM



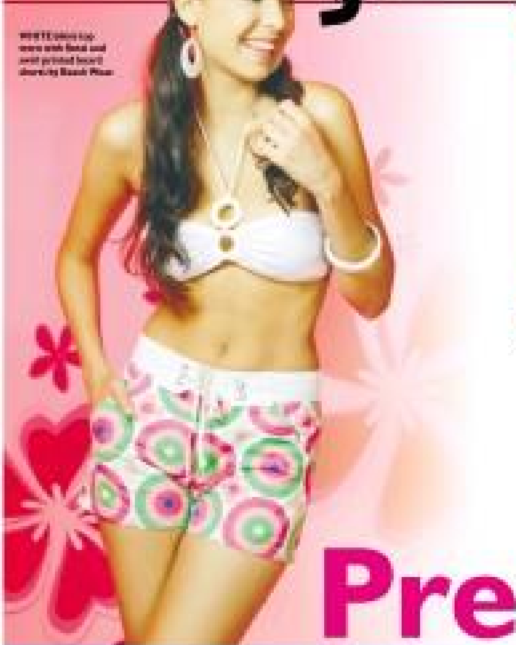




Good and Evil exist to define each other. But what of those moments in between that escape definition?



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WHITE bikini top worn with floral and swirl printed board shorts by Beach Miss



PINK tie-dye board shorts by Beach Miss



BUTTERFLY printed board shorts.

Pretty in strawberry pink at SM



GIRLS WHO JUST WANNA HAVE fashion fun this summer will find the call of pink irresistible at SM!

Luscious Strawberry Hot Pink pieces bring you to the sweet side of summer. The hottest look on the beach? Board shorts and bikini tops that celebrate all that's young and all that's fun.

You'll face tube (ribbed) tops in halter, bi-angle, or tube shapes worn with board shorts in playful pink prints that tell a summer story—hibiscus in bloom, butterflies in flight, scenic prints with a getaway vibe.

Girls and glam, pretty and perky, the Strawberry Hot Pink collection is available at the Girls Teens Wear Department at all SM stores.



PINK dotted board shorts with drawstring accents.







PINK board shorts with white piping and bow accents.



TWO-TONED blue board shorts by Clarion with stitch and drawstring details.



AQUA BLUE "Surf Island" printed shirt by Tattoo worn with white board shorts [illegible] by Clarion.



BLUE board shorts with graphic prints and drawstring details by Quick Step.

Beach boys

wear the blues at SM

COOL DUDES WILL bear and wear the blues this summer at SM!

Cool-water Blues are creating ripples in the style scene, bringing back memories of endless summer days of cerise blue skies and turquoise [illegible] shorts with a blast of blue—aqua marine with attitude, sky blue with sassy, and sapphire that looks great on the surfboard.

Great for showing off your toned body, or blending with beachy hues, the collection is available at the Boys Teens Wear Department of all SM stores.



SCENIC printed blue board shorts by The Boss.

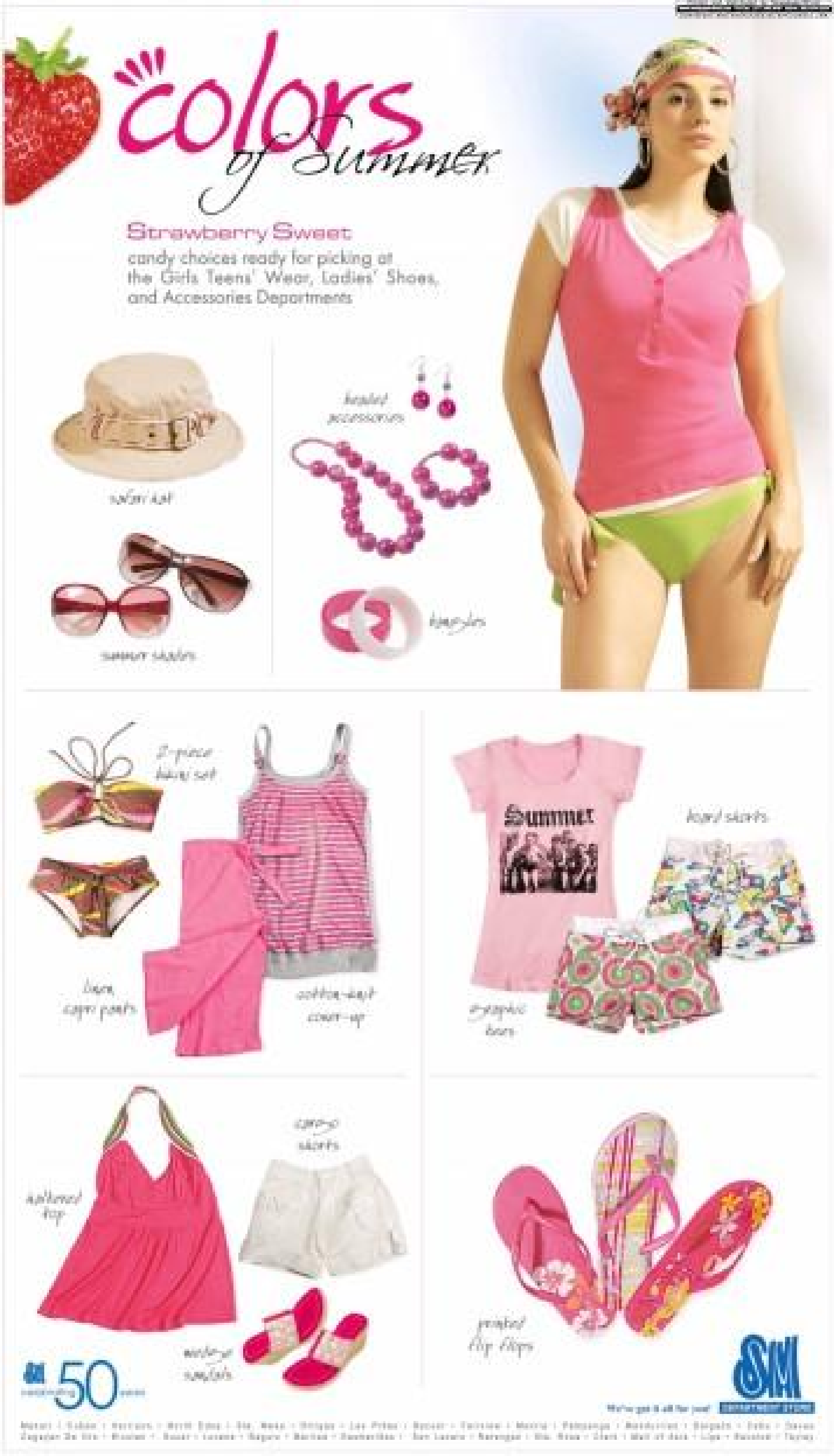


BLUE and white nautical-inspired board shorts with side pockets by Jockx.



TWO-TONED "surf" printed muscle shirt by Tattoo worn with scenic printed board shorts by The Boss.


colors of Summer
Grape Rave
easy - does - it fashion creations ripe for harvesting at the Boy's Teens' Wear, Men's Shoes, and Accessories Departments
summer shades
sporty watches
assorted necklaces
canvas caps
shell necklaces
graphic T-shirts
denim and cargo pants
canvas belt
sports shades
board shorts
rubber flip flops
50 years
SM
We've got it all for you!


colors
of Summer
Strawberry Sweet
candy choices ready for picking at
the Girls Teens' Wear, Ladies' Shoes,
and Accessories Departments
2-piece
bikini set
cotton-knit
cover-up
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cargo
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SATURDAY Special

Jim Carrey returns to Dr. Seuss' territory—as an elephant

[illegible]

Only in Hollywood



Ruben V. Nepales



CARREY: Welcomes opportunity to play a lovable character like Horton.

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Moment to strike

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STREET SMART

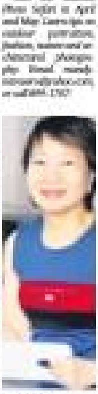


Melody

Summer at LRI

THE LRI DESIGN Plaza at 210 Nicanor Garcia st., Bel-Air, Makati City, ...

Asian collectibles.



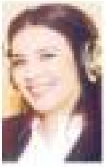
DOMINGO: Held an exhibit at Galerie Andrea.

Top musical stars sing Nescafé's new jingle

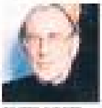
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'Sleuth'

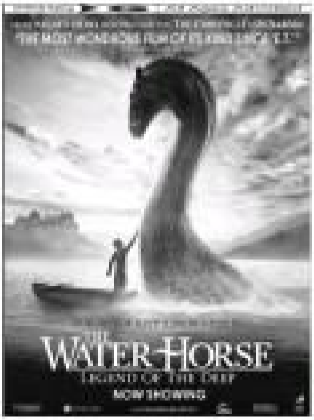
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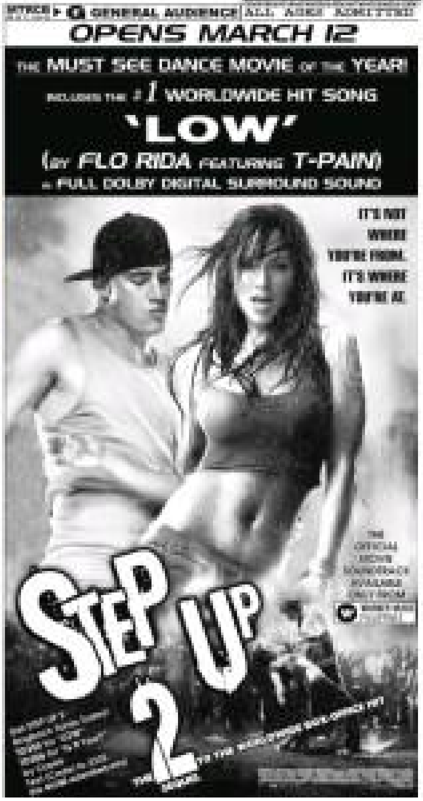


PADILLA. Sings popular coffee brand's jingle anew.



PINTER WROTE the screenplay of Kenneth Branagh's latest film.





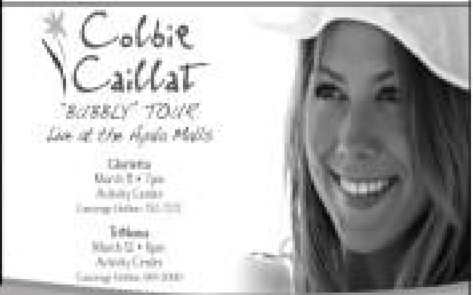
AT THE CINEMAS

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AT THE MALLS

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Ayala Museum	[illegible]
TriNoma	[illegible]





Monster flick pulls a warm and pleasant surprise

By Nestor Torre

IT'S HARD TO FIND IN-nocence and sweetness in children's films these days—which, when you think about it, is both strange and sad...



EYES. Plays a Scottish lad who finds an egg that hatches into a creature that becomes—the Loch Ness monster!

Background

Secret

Limitations

'SKIN-DEEP'

Achieving perfection in an imperfect world



ALVAREZ AND SENA. Shine in Peta's musical about beauty enhancement through plastic surgery.

Different needs

Giselle Sanchez leads a double life

By Nestor U. Torre



SANCHEZ. "God does not judge you like man does, He looks at your heart."

Prayer leader

Upbeat note

Benefit concert



"HORTON HEARS A WHO." Boasts of the voices of Carrey and Carell.

Jim Carrey . . .

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Legacy

Special needs

Relationship

Top musical stars sing . . .

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New song for Caramia

Golden Divas in concert

'The Hardcore Brothers Easy Ride'

'Gorillas Revisited'

Michael Jackson dance tilt

Promo tours

'Horton'

Movies on TV



CORRALES, FATIMA AND SORIANO. Team up in a rare concert at Music Museum.

SATURDAY *Special*

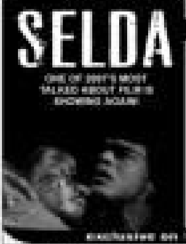




Male stars turn in strong performances

'70s is the go-to decade for comedy







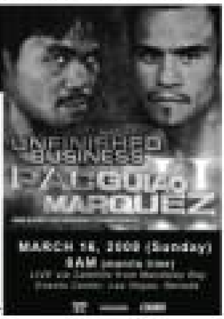
'70s is the go-to decade . . .



KATE Hudson in "Almost Famous," a film that captured the essence of the '70s through music.

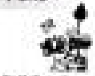
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Drug-fueled parties





LOTUS POND



R. Valencia and E. Bennett

Silence is golden

Ingrid Bergman, sinner and saint

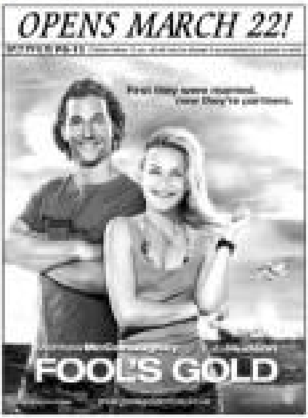


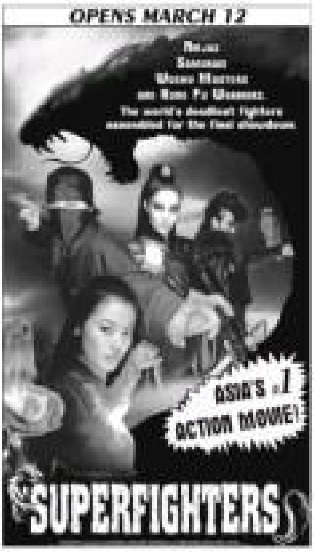
BERGMAN: Best remembered for her incandescent beauty.

Sacrifices

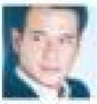
Character roles







Raymond Lauchengco revives songs of his youth



LAUCHENGCO: Releases latest album, "Full Circle."

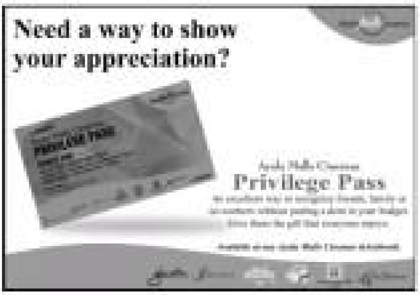
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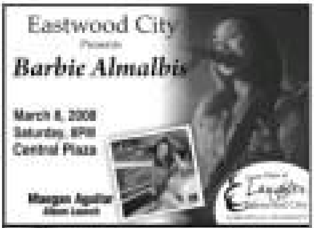
Silence . . .

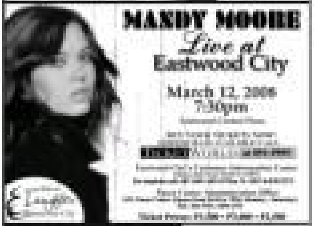
Influence













Where to Stop Where to Go

Microtel Inns and Suites to open two new hotels



Lent markdown offer at Grand Regal Hotel Davao



TOP TAXPAYER



PATA-PACIFIC AWARDS TOP FIVE AGENTS

Tuna Terrific at Market Cafe



Cooking class at Tosca



'Lunch with a View' at Holiday Inn Clark

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NOW SHOWING

Charm is no match for wit in Law-Caine starrer



By Rito P Asilo

"Sleuth"

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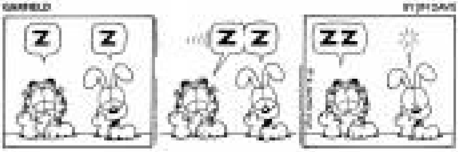
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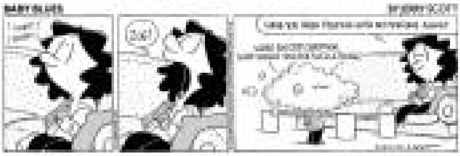
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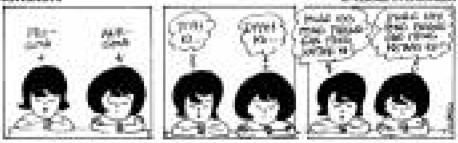
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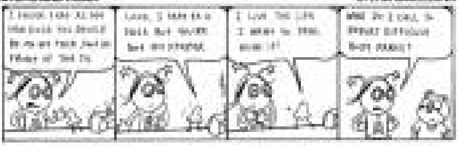


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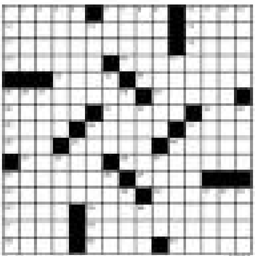
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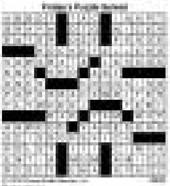


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HOW TO PLAY SU DOKU

Answer to previous puzzle

The best of Dolphy and Panchito

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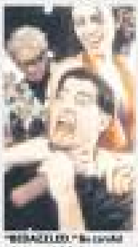




DOLPHY AND PANCHITO. Complementary styles.

Opportunities

Movies for Holy Week viewing



Sensitive guy

Responsibility

Bette Midler topbills sassy 'Showgirl' revue

Humor



'Saint Pio' restaged March 14 and 15



More accessible

Insightful











TOP PHOTO: Cast members bask in the audience's acclaim during curtain call. Above left: Pio hears the confession of a sinful woman. Above right: Pio as a child in a scene with his father.

Cast

GK helps make Mowelfund's housing dream come true



ESTRADA: The Movie Workers Welfare Foundation was his brainchild.

Groundbreaking

Participation



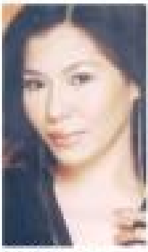
ARCHITECT'S rendition of GK's Mowelfund Village.

Triumphant debuts, comebacks boost theater scene

Ingenious fusion



WILSON: Performs a Tagalog monologue at V-Day's 10th year anniversary show in the US.



ORBONEZ: Back from yearlong stint at Hong Kong Disneyland.

Rock musical

Monique performs with Oprah, Glenn Close

Sci-fi adventure flick falls short of its epic ambitions



Prehistoric times

More presence